country with concerned women's groups on the possible contents of the said Bill.

(c) and (d) Some women's voluntary organisations have sent representations suggesting some changes in the Bill.

As the Protection from Domestic Violence Bill, 2002 has been introduced in the Lok Sabha on 8th March, 2002, the Parliamentary procedures will determine the further course of action.

Publication of 'Towards Freedom Project'

2857. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-report captioned "Towards Freedom Project be revived", which appeared in The Hindu dated the 13th March, 2002;

(b) if so, the details thereof and Government's reaction thereto;

(c) the reasons for inordinate delay involved in the publication of the project work; and

(d) by when the publication is likely to see the light of the day?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT [DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA] : (a) and (b) The news-report entitled "Will the Towards Freedom Project be revived" in Hindu dated 13th March, 2002 is regarding review of the Towards Freedom Project by the ICHR.

(c) and (d) ICHR has informed that the delay in the project was due to the various factors; particularly in appointing the Chief Editor for a long period and the nature of the project as the source material was scattered throughout India. In 1988, when the Project was reorganised the remaining Nine volumes were assigned to Nine different Editors. The delay was mainly on the part of respective Editors. The volumes received so far are under process of scrutiny and publication.